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1. It was learned that the 1955 Economic Plan of DDA Invest-Export (German Domestic and Foreign Trade, Investments and Exports Division) at 188/90 Brunnenstrasse, Berlin N 54, envisaged export contracts valued at a total of 318,3 million rubles. In detail, Department 01 had to contract export orders valued at 23.2 million rubles, Department 02 was assigned export orders valued 157.1 million rubles, while Departments 03, 04, 05 and 06 had to contract export orders valued at 39.7, 34.2, 37.7 and 26.4 million rubles respectively. By mid-February 1955, about 90 percent of the planned export contracts had been placed.
2. In order to be able to compete with world ~~market~~ prices, the GDR must pay considerable subsidies for its exports. Exports made by Departments 01 and 02 must be subsidized 30 and 43 percent respectively, while exports of Departments 03, 04 and 05 are subsidized about 30, 42, and 80 percent respectively. Exports of replacement parts are on the average subsidized 48 to 50 percent.

Comment. Departments 01 through 06 of DIA handle the following exports:

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Department 01, tools for machine building;
Department 02, equipment for the building and transport industries;
Department 03, equipments for the chemical industry;
Department 04, equipments for the food industry;
Department 05, equipment for the electrical industry;
Department 06, equipment for the textile industry.

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